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¶1. (SBU) Post discussed reftel points with Director Leah Ruiz of the Office of United Nations and International Organizations (UNIO) of the Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA), urging the Philippine government to instruct its UN delegation to vote for Judge Painter in the United Nations Appeals Tribunal elections. Director Ruiz said that her government is relying on the recommendations from their delegation in Geneva to achieve "geographical balance" for the judicial positions in the newly-established system for the internal administration of justice within the UN.
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